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(AIME)**

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1. *Do not open* this booklet until told to do so.
2. This is a 15 question, 2.5 hour examination with integer answers. Your score will be the number of answers you get right. There is no partial credit.
3. All your answers, and certain other information, are to be recorded on a computer card. Your Examination Manager will instruct you how to fill out the card after you have finished with these instructions. Only the computer card and this cover sheet will be collected from you.
4. Scratch paper, graph paper, ruler, compass and eraser are permitted. *Calculators and slide rules are not permitted.*
5. Please print the following:

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6. My score on the 1984 AHSME was   
I took the 1984 AHSME on \_\_\_\_\_ (date).

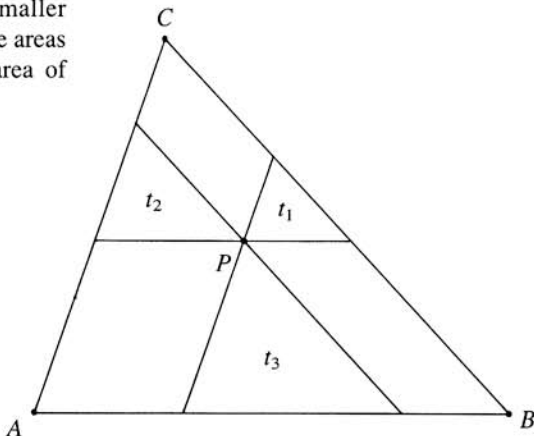
7. This AIME is the qualifying examination for the U.S.A. Mathematical Olympiad (USAMO) to be given on May 1, 1984. Please check one box:

If I qualify for the USAMO, I agree to take it. YES  NO

Your school must also agree to administer the USAMO before you can take it.

- Find the value of  $a_2 + a_4 + a_6 + \cdots + a_{98}$  if  $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots$  is an arithmetic progression with common difference 1, and  $a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + \cdots + a_{98} = 137$ .
- The integer  $n$  is the smallest positive multiple of 15 such that every digit of  $n$  is either 0 or 8. Compute  $\frac{n}{15}$ .

- A point  $P$  is chosen in the interior of  $\triangle ABC$  so that when lines are drawn through  $P$  parallel to the sides of  $\triangle ABC$ , the resulting smaller triangles,  $t_1$ ,  $t_2$  and  $t_3$  in the figure, have areas 4, 9 and 49, respectively. Find the area of  $\triangle ABC$ .



- Let  $S$  be a list of positive integers—not necessarily distinct—in which the number 68 appears. The average (arithmetic mean) of the numbers in  $S$  is 56. However, if 68 is removed, the average of the remaining numbers drops to 55. What is the largest number that can appear in  $S$ ?
- Determine the value of  $ab$  if  $\log_8 a + \log_4 b^2 = 5$  and  $\log_8 b + \log_4 a^2 = 7$ .
- Three circles, each of radius 3, are drawn with centers at  $(14,92)$ ,  $(17,76)$  and  $(19,84)$ . A line passing through  $(17,76)$  is such that the total area of the parts of the three circles to one side of the line is equal to the total area of the parts of the three circles to the other side of it. What is the absolute value of the slope of this line?

7. The function  $f$  is defined on the set of integers and satisfies

$$f(n) = \begin{cases} n-3, & \text{if } n \geq 1000, \\ f(f(n+5)), & \text{if } n < 1000. \end{cases}$$

Find  $f(84)$ .

8. The equation  $z^6 + z^3 + 1 = 0$  has one complex root with argument (angle)  $\theta$  between  $90^\circ$  and  $180^\circ$  in the complex plane. Determine the degree measure of  $\theta$ .
9. In tetrahedron  $ABCD$ , edge  $AB$  has length 3 cm. The area of face  $ABC$  is  $15 \text{ cm}^2$  and the area of face  $ABD$  is  $12 \text{ cm}^2$ . These two faces meet each other at a  $30^\circ$  angle. Find the volume of the tetrahedron in  $\text{cm}^3$ .
10. Mary told John her score on the American High School Mathematics Examination (AHSME), which was over 80. From this, John was able to determine the number of problems Mary solved correctly. If Mary's score had been any lower, but still over 80, John could not have determined this. What was Mary's score? (Recall that the AHSME consists of 30 multiple-choice problems and that one's score,  $s$ , is computed by the formula  $s = 30 + 4c - w$ , where  $c$  is the number of correct and  $w$  is the number of wrong answers; students are not penalized for problems left unanswered.)
11. A gardener plants three maple trees, four oak trees and five birch trees in a row. He plants them in random order, each arrangement being equally likely. Let  $\frac{m}{n}$  in lowest terms be the probability that no two birch trees are next to one another. Find  $m + n$ .
12. A function  $f$  is defined for all real numbers and satisfies

$$f(2+x) = f(2-x) \quad \text{and} \quad f(7+x) = f(7-x)$$

for all real  $x$ . If  $x = 0$  is a root of  $f(x) = 0$ , what is the least number of roots  $f(x) = 0$  must have in the interval  $-1000 \leq x \leq 1000$ ?

13. Find the value of  $10\cot(\cot^{-1}3 + \cot^{-1}7 + \cot^{-1}13 + \cot^{-1}21)$ .
14. What is the largest even integer which cannot be written as the sum of two odd composite numbers? (Recall that a positive integer is said to be composite if it is divisible by at least one positive integer other than 1 and itself.)
15. Determine  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + w^2$  if

$$\frac{x^2}{2^2 - 1^2} + \frac{y^2}{2^2 - 3^2} + \frac{z^2}{2^2 - 5^2} + \frac{w^2}{2^2 - 7^2} = 1,$$

$$\frac{x^2}{4^2 - 1^2} + \frac{y^2}{4^2 - 3^2} + \frac{z^2}{4^2 - 5^2} + \frac{w^2}{4^2 - 7^2} = 1,$$

$$\frac{x^2}{6^2 - 1^2} + \frac{y^2}{6^2 - 3^2} + \frac{z^2}{6^2 - 5^2} + \frac{w^2}{6^2 - 7^2} = 1,$$

$$\frac{x^2}{8^2 - 1^2} + \frac{y^2}{8^2 - 3^2} + \frac{z^2}{8^2 - 5^2} + \frac{w^2}{8^2 - 7^2} = 1.$$

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